



Envirosafe Services of Ohio, Inc. U.S. EPA Proposes to Modify Permit

Oregon, Ohio

April, 2000

How You Can Participate

Public Hearing

U.S. EPA will explain proposed changes to the hazardous waste permit for the ESOI facility in a public hearing:

**Wednesday, May 17, 2000
7 p.m.
City of Oregon
Municipal Complex
5330 Seaman Road**

Residents are encouraged to present oral and/or written comments at the hearing.



Public Comment Period

U.S. EPA will accept written comments on the proposed changes during a 45-day public comment period:

April 14 to May 30, 2000

Comments can be mailed, faxed or E-mailed to Thomas Matheson, U.S. EPA Project Coordinator, at the address on the back of this summary.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) proposes to modify the hazardous waste permit for the Envirosafe Services of Ohio, Inc. (ESOI) facility located in Oregon, Ohio. Before the permit is revised, U.S. EPA will consider all public comments related to the proposed change.



Aerial view of the ESOI facility located in Oregon. Proposed permit modifications address activities within the waste containment building, seen just southwest of the center of the photo.

Facility Background

The ESOI facility is located at 876 Otter Creek Road in Oregon, Ohio and occupies about 134 acres. Since 1954, the facility has operated as a solid waste landfill. In the 1970s, ESOI received municipal, commercial, and industrial wastes. In November 1988, ESOI received a hazardous waste operating permit, making it the only commercial hazardous waste landfill in Ohio to receive such a permit from U.S. EPA and Ohio EPA. The law authorizing this permit is called the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). Facility activities include the following:

- treatment of waste in tanks and in a containment building
- storage in containers
- long-term disposal of wastes in landfills
- waste transportation
- generation of hazardous waste during on-site treatment, storage and disposal.

ESOI receives hazardous wastes from several types of industries, including the chemical, steel, petroleum, and pharmaceutical industries.

Proposed Permit Modifications

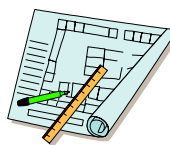
U.S. EPA proposes to make several changes to the Federal portion of the existing permit. Significant changes require ESOI to do the following:

- Evaluate leakage within separate sub-units of the containment building - the building where wastes are sorted and treated - rather than within the building as a whole. This allows ESOI and regulatory agencies to react more quickly to potential releases of contamination to the environment.
- Use the State of Ohio list of chemicals when conducting routine ground water monitoring instead of both the State and Federal list.

Since the State and Federal list are very similar, this action eliminates overlapping sampling and reporting requirements.

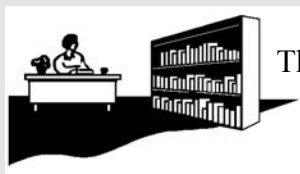
- Conduct an engineering study that evaluates the causes of fluid accumulation in the liner of one sub-unit of the waste containment building.

Finally, the permit provides ESOI more direction with respect to the procedures for addressing and reporting to U.S. EPA any leakage within the containment building. The changes described above are proposed in an effort to resolve an appeal by ESOI of portions of a modified permit issued by U.S. EPA in September 1998. U.S. EPA invites the public to comment on these changes.



Next Steps

At the close of the comment period, U.S. EPA will consider and respond to all significant comments. U.S. EPA will then issue the final permit modification. A summary of public comments as well as U.S. EPA's response to those comments will be provided to all interested parties as well as included in the information repository in at the Oregon Branch of the library and administrative record at U.S. EPA Records Center.



Information Repository and Administrative Record

The proposed permit changes to the hazardous waste permit and other information about the ESOI facility can be found at the local library:

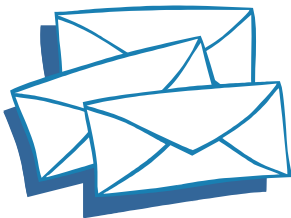
Toledo Lucas County Library-Oregon Branch
3340 Dustin Street
Oregon, Ohio

These documents are also available for public review in the administrative record located in U.S. EPA's regional office:

U.S. EPA - Records Center, 7th Floor
77 West. Jackson Blvd., Chicago
(312) 886-0902

Comment Sheet

U.S. EPA invites you to provide comments on the proposed changes to the permit modification for the ESOI facility. You may use the space below to write your comments and hand them in at the May 17, 2000 public hearing or mail, fax, or E-mail your comments to Thomas Matheson at the address on the back of this sheet. Comments must be postmarked no later than May 30, 2000.

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